

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2003. Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested in view of the remarks made below.

After entry of this amendment, claims 1, 2 and 8-11 will continue to be pending in the application. These claims were indicated as being allowable in the last Office Action. Accordingly, this Application should now be in condition for allowance.

Applicant has made an earnest effort to place this application in condition for allowance. If the Examiner feels that a telephone interview would expedite prosecution of this patent application, he is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned at 215-599-0600.

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